

# Determining Non-Fiction Text Structure

Type of Text	Key Words	Possible Organizers
<b>Definition of Words</b>	Look for words that are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highlighted</li> <li>In bold</li> <li>Underlined</li> <li>Italicized</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4-square</li> <li>Word webs</li> <li>Word sorts</li> <li>Examples/non-examples</li> </ul>
<b>Listing or Categorizing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First</li> <li>Second</li> <li>Too</li> <li>Also</li> <li>Finally</li> <li>In addition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concept Maps</li> <li>Idea webs</li> <li>Power Maps</li> <li>Matrix</li> <li>Chain diagrams</li> </ul>
<b>Comparison/Contrast</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Similarly</li> <li>Likewise</li> <li>However</li> <li>nevertheless</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Venn Diagrams</li> <li>Comparison maps</li> <li>Analogies</li> <li>T-charts</li> </ul>
<b>Order or Sequence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dates</li> <li>Numbers</li> <li>Later</li> <li>Next</li> <li>Before</li> <li>Afterwards</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sequence Graphic Organizers</li> <li>Outlines</li> <li>Power Maps</li> <li>Cycle maps</li> </ul>
<b>Illustration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For example</li> <li>In other words</li> <li>For Instance</li> <li>That is to say</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Frayer Model</li> <li>Drawings</li> <li>Charts, diagrams</li> </ul>
<b>Summary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In conclusion</li> <li>Briefly</li> <li>To sum up</li> <li>Consequently</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supporting Idea Organizers</li> <li>"Trees"</li> <li>Power Maps</li> <li>5 w's</li> <li>Spider maps</li> </ul>
<b>Cause and Effect</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If</li> <li>Then</li> <li>When</li> <li>Because of</li> <li>Since</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Problem - solution webs</li> <li>Fishbone diagrams</li> <li>"Trees"</li> <li>Chain organizers</li> <li>Cycle maps</li> </ul>